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- 1. Searchlights located within the city limits and on the outskirts of Plovdiv frequently carry out exercises in searching for aircraft. From the beams of light observed, informant believes that there are about 6-7 searchlights in Plovdiv.
- 2. Antiaircraft guns are located on the hills of the city of Plovdiv. This is known to informant because fire was opened against unidentified aircraft about the middle of April of 1954.
- 3. On 15 or 16 April 1954 about two unidentified aircraft flew over Plovdiv. The antiaircraft guns opened fire and one aircraft was forced to land in the Stara Zagora area. Informant heard that these were either Turkish or Yugoslav aircraft which had become lost.
- 4. Work is in progress on the construction of a road tunnel under Nebet Tepe in Plovdiv. Informant was not sure of the purpose of this tunnel but believes that it will connect the Karsieka quarter with the Catholic (sic) quarter. The tunnel will be 500-600 meters long. Work on this project was started in 1950-1951 and is proceeding slowly.

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